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STRAIGHT!



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PROLOGUE

A CITY FOR HELP... A RUSH OF WIND... AND THE WORLD'S GREATEST SUPER-HERO HURLED INTO ACTION ONCE MORE-- WHILE, MILES BELOW, IN METROPOLIS, TWO YOUNG HEROES SIT AT THEIR DESK AND COMPUTERS, THEIR FINGERS FLYING URGENTLY ACROSS THE KEYBOARDS.

WHAT IS THE ASTONISHING CONNECTION BETWEEN THESE TWO EVENTS? READ ON...AND SEE!



When a computer costs less than a or a then it's time to think about owning one!

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FIFTY-ONE MINUTES LEFT...

I'D BETTER REALLY HURRY IF I'M GOING TO FINISH THIS MORNING PATROL ACROSS METROPOLIS IN TIME TO MAKE MY 9 O'CLOCK APPOINTMENT--

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FOR YOUR OBSERVATION-- TWO DYNAMIC MEN OF ACTION!

ONE, A PARAGON OF VIRTUE-- THE WISEST MASTER OF VILLAINY KNOWN TO THE WORLD AS ANTONIO BREXTER!

THE OTHER, A CAPED CRIMINAL-- THE MIGHTY MAN OF STEEL WHO FIGHTS A NEVER-ENDING BATTLE FOR PEACE, JUSTICE, AND THE AMERICAN WAY!

SUPERMAN
OF METROPOLIS

The COMPUTERS THAT SAVED METROPOLIS!

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SIX MINUTES LATER, IN A SIXTH GRADE CLASS-
ROOM ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF AMSTERDAM...

...AND FORTY-
TWO MINUTES LATER...

HERE,
MR. WILSON!

VERY GOOD CLASS! WE HAVE
A 100% ATTENDANCE
TODAY!



I TRUST TOO MANY
OF YOU WON'T BE DISAPPOINTED
WHEN I ANNOUNCE YOUR IDEAL
BOOK REPORTS WILL BE
POSTPONED UNTIL FORTHCOMING!

I'M SURE
I COULD USE
ANOTHER DAY
TO PRACTICE IT!

WELL, I'VE
BEEN READY TO
DELIVER MY
REPORT
FOR A WEEK!

WHEN THERE'S
GOOD NEWS
THERE USUALLY
IS BAD NEWS!

AND BAD NEWS, KAREN,
ONLY EVEN BETTER NEWS! AN
"OLD FRIEND" OF MINE HAS
PROMISED TO DROP BY THIS
MORNING TO TAKE OVER
TODAY'S LESSON!

"KARENWANN"? JUST WHAT
WE'VE ALL BEEN WAITING FOR,
MR. WILSON--A SOME TALK
...ON COMPUTERS!

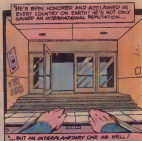
I CAN'T THINK OF
ANYTHING I'D RATHER
HEAR ABOUT EXCEPT
MAYBE THE HISTORY
OF BRUSSELS
CIRCUTS!

WE'LL GET TO BRUSSELS
SOMEONE ANOTHER DAY, ALSO
...JUST FOR YOU!

BUT AS I WAS
ABOUT TO SAY--OUR
SUPER-GUEST IS
MAKING A SPECIAL
TRIP HERE TODAY,
JUST TO TALK
WITH US ABOUT
COMPUTERS!

AS YOU ALL
KNOW, NEXT
YEAR YOU'LL
BE TAKING
THE SCHOOL'S
NEW
INTRODUCTORY
COMPUTER
COURSE.

WHO IS THIS FRIEND OF
YOURS, MR. WILSON,
A COMPUTER EXPERT?







MEANWHILE, ATOP A CERTAIN
PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDING...

ONCE
SUPERMAN
THANKS TO YOU
WERE UP ON THE
ROOF! BUT I KNOW
YOU JUST DIDN'T
BRING US UP HERE
FOR THE VIEW!

WHEAT
GIVES?

GLAD TO SEE
YOU'RE STILL
WITH US AND
AMARE, ALEC!

TODAY'S COMPUTERS
HAD THEIR BEGINNING
IN THE UNITED STATES
WHEN THE WORLD'S
FIRST ALL-ELECTRONIC
UNIT WAS COMPLETED
IN THE FALL OF 1946.

IT WAS SO LARGE
IT HAD TO BE
INSTALLED IN A
30 X 30-FOOT
ROOM.

THE INSIDES OF THIS HUGE 30-FOOT
'MILK-DRUM' CONTAINED 8,000
VACUUM TUBES, 70,000 RESISTORS,
8,000 CAPACITORS, AND 8,000
SWITCHES. INPUT AND OUTPUT WERE
BY PUNCHED CARDS WHICH WERE
USED TO GET A PRINT-OUT OF THE
ANSWERS.

"THERE WERE NO
WORLD RECORDS LIKE
THE COMPUTERS
WE HAVE TODAY,
NOW..."

... JUST LOOK
AROUND YOU! THESE
EARLY COMPUTERS
ACTUALLY FILLED AN
AREA AS LARGE AS
THIS SECTION OF THE
ROOF YOU'RE STANDING
ON!

NO-LEE! I DON'T
EVEN SEE HOW YOU
COULD GET
SOMETHING THAT
BIG INTO A ROOM!

THEY
PROBABLY
BUILT THE
COMPUTER
FIRST--THEN
BUILT A ROOM
AROUND IT.
DOOM!

GUARD
ALEC! YOU
THINK YOU
KNOW
EVERYTHING!

1. AND PLEASE BE REMEMBERED...A COMPUTER IS MORE THAN A CALCULATOR. COMPUTERS CAN ALSO ORGANIZE AND REARRANGE WORDS, ANALYZE INFORMATION, AND MAKE COMPARISONS... ALL THIS IN SECONDS.

2. IN FACT ITS CAPABILITIES ARE ALMOST UNLIMITED, BUT IT HAS TO BE PROGRAMMED FIRST... FED INFORMATION AND TOLD WHAT TO DO.

3. TODAY'S MICROCOMPUTERS (THE OLD-TIME "BIG COMPUTERS" SQUEEZED DOWN TO THE SIZE OF A SMALL TV-SET ATTACHED TO A TYPEWRITER-LIKE KEYBOARD) CAN TEACH MATH, ENGLISH, OTHER LANGUAGES, AND HISTORY...

4. IT CAN PLAY GAMES, PERFORM HOUSEHOLD TASKS, AND SAVE TIME AND MONEY IN MANY SMALL BUSINESS OPERATIONS.

THEN, OF COURSE, THERE'S THE SPACE PROGRAM! WITHOUT THE VITAL ROLE PLAYED BY COMPUTERS, OUR ASTRONAUTS WOULD NEVER HAVE MADE IT TO THE MOON AND BACK!

THE APOLO PROGRAM WAS A TEAM EFFORT BETWEEN MAN AND MACHINE...



5. MAKING IT POSSIBLE TO NAVIGATE AND LAND THE DISCOVERY MODULE CHALLENGER AND ITS ROMAN EXPLORATORY VEHICLE ON THE MOON'S SURFACE!

6. AND WHEN IT COMES TO MORE RECENT UNMANNED MISSIONS...



7. LIKE THE DISCOVERY MISSIONS AN SENT TO JARS... THE VOYAGER PROBE THAT RECENTLY SENT BACK PHOTOGRAPHS OF JUPITER AND SATURN...



8. COMPUTERS WERE IN COMPLETE CONTROL OF PRACTICALLY EVERY PHASE OF THESE COMPLEX SPACE EXPLORATIONS!

COMPUTERS TODAY MIGHT STILL BE THE SIZE OF BUS TERMINALS... IS IT WONDER? FOR A TITANICOUS DISCOVERY IN 1948 THAT REVOLUTIONIZED THE ENTIRE ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY?



"A TRIO OF AMERICAN SCIENTISTS-- JERRY BARDEEN, WILLIAM SHOCKLEY AND WALTER BRATTAIN--COMBINED RESEARCH AND DISCOVERIES TO INVENT THE TRANSISTOR...."

"AN ACHIEVEMENT SO SIGNIFICANT, THEY WERE JOINTLY AWARDED THAT YEAR'S NOBEL PRIZE IN PHYSICS."



...AVERAGING ABOUT THE SIZE OF THE SWAMP-POP ON A FENCE, TRANSISTORS QUICKLY BEGAN TO REPLACE BULBY RADIO TUBES?

AND THE AGE OF MINUTEMANSHIP WAS BORN!



"THE OLD RADIO-TUBE WAS MANY TIMES LARGER THAN THE TRANSISTOR, WHICH REVOLUTIONIZED THE FIELD OF ELECTRONICS AROUND THE WORLD."



"IT SPEEDED THE MOVE TO MINIATURIZED ELECTRONIC CIRCUITS..."

...TRANSISTOR RADIOS AND BOLD-STATE STEREO HI-FI EQUIPMENT.

THE NEXT STEP IN THE MINIFICATION FIELD WAS THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE INTEGRATED CIRCUIT LIKE THE ONE I HOLD IN MY HAND.



"COMPUTERS MADE FROM THESE COMPLEX INTEGRATED CIRCUITS ARE OFTEN CALLED MICROPROCESSORS."

AS THE ACTION ACT UNFOLDS, THE STUDENTS BACK INTO THE CLASSROOM...

OH NOW!

WHERE DO THOSE COME FROM, MR. NELSON?

ARE YOU?





REMEMBER WHEN SHARMA ASKED
SUNDARAY WHAT HE HAD CHANGING
IN THE BLACK CASES HE BROUGHT
ALONG?

YOU'RE LOOKING
AT THE ANSWERS...

...TWO-AND A-HALF MICROCOMPUTERS
WITH USER MANUALS AND
12-INCH VIDEO DISPLAYS!



LITTLE COMPUTERS LIKE
THE ONE SO CAN PERFORM
CALCULATIONS,
SOLVE PROBLEMS,
PLAY GAMES,
COMPARE AND
ANALYZE
INFORMATION.

MORE EFFICIENTLY
AND FASTER THAN THE
OLD ROOM-SIZE
COMPUTERS—BUT MOST
IMPORTANT, THEY ARE
CREATING A
REVOLUTION IN OUR
WAY OF LIFE.



IT USED TO BE THAT A
COMPUTER ABLE TO DO
THESE THINGS WOULD HAVE
COST A FORTUNE...

...BUT TODAY YOU CAN
BUY A MICROCOMPUTER
FOR THE PRICE OF A
GOOD CAMERA OR
TV SET!



"SOLID-STATE CIRCUITS, ELECTRONIC CHIPS, AND
MODERN ASSEMBLY LINE PRODUCTION METHODS
ARE BRINGING THE COST OF MICROCOMPUTERS
WITHIN REACH OF MILLIONS OF PEOPLE... FOR
SCHOOLS AS LEARNING AIDS... AND SMALL
BUSINESSES."



AT THAT MOMENT, SEVERAL MILES AWAY... THE SOUND OF FRIGHTENED WOMAN'S WIVES FROM THE SHAMBLES OF WHAT WAS ONCE A FAMILY'S HOME.



AND THE VERY NEXT MOMENT, AS IF IN ANSWER TO THE CHILD'S QUERING QUESTION...







MEANWHILE, BACK AT THE CLASSROOM...

OH WOW, MR. WILSON... WRITING PROGRAMS ON THE JDS-80 IS AS EASY AS USING A TYPEWRITER!

THAT'S RIGHT, SHARMA! ALWAYS REMEMBER TO HIT THE "ENTER" BUTTON... IT TELLS THE COMPUTER TO TAKE A LOOK AT WHAT YOU'VE TYPED, AND ACT ACCORDINGLY!

IT MUST BE LIKE THIS... I AM YOUR NEW "SO-EE AUTOTYPING"!



PLEASE, MISS WILSON, MAY I TRY ANOTHER ONE OF THE SAMPLE PROBLEMS FROM OUR USER'S MANUAL?

JUST A MOMENT, SHARMA! I HEAR SOMETHING COMING THIS WAY... GETTING LOUDER AND LOUDER!

IT SOUNDS LIKE...



...I SEE SOME OF YOU HAVE ALREADY STARTED TO GET ACQUAINTED WITH THE TWO FDS-80 MICROCOMPUTERS I BROUGHT ALONG!

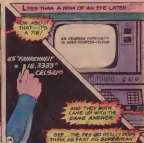
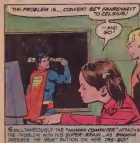
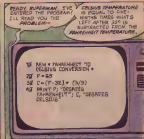
AND DON'T WORRY! SHARMA AND WILLIAM HERE HAVE BEEN PRACTICING A FEW OF THE SAMPLE PROBLEMS FROM THE MANUAL!

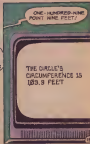


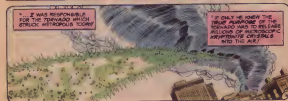
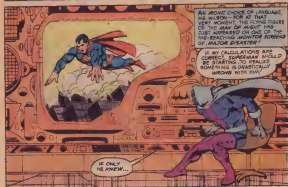
SUPERMAN, WHAT YOU SAID BEFORE ABOUT SURVIVING COMBUSTION OF YEARS AGO THAT USED TO WEIGH 30 TONS...

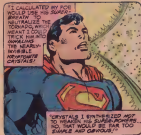
...CAN SOMETHING AS SMALL AS A FDS-80 DO EVERYTHING THOSE GIANT COMPUTERS DID?











AND ALTHOUGH THE ALLEY OF STREETS MANAGES TO SAVE HIM, THROUGH HIS WINDOW SIGHT-UNSEEN...



THE BOSS-
BASTARD MADE
ME CRASH-THROU
THE WALL!

FALLING THROUGH
THE FLOOR OF
MY APARTMENT!

CRASH!



JIMMY FINALLY
MANAGED TO STOP
MYSELF-- ON THE
FLOOR BELOW
MY OWN!

IT'S LUCKY THE TENANT
IS ALWAYS OUT! I
SHOULD BE ABLE TO
MANAGE MY SUPER-
POWERS ENOUGH TO
REPAIR THE DAMAGE
BEFORE HE COMES
HOME!



BUT THEN WHAT?
HOW IS A SUPERMAN
SUPPOSED TO FUNCTION
IN THIS CONDITION?

I DON'T KNOW
WHO OR WHAT
IS RESPONSIBLE
FOR WHAT
HAPPENED
TO ME...

I ONLY KNOW
I CAN'T SHAKE
THE FEELING
THE WORST IS
YET TO COME!

AND COME IT DOES--IT'S THE FOLLOWING MORNING,
AS A MORNING NEWS AND WEATHER BROADCAST CUT
DID TV AND RADIO BROADCASTS THROUGHOUT THE
AREA...



ATTENTION, PEOPLE, THIS IS
OF AN UNUSUAL
MAJOR DISASTER
STREAKING! THE
SINAGOGUE GATE
OF YOUR SAN CITY
NOW RESTS IN
MY HANDS--

--BUT FOR ONCE,
YOUR CAPED
CHAMPION FROM
BETWEEN THE
OF AN HELP TO
YOU WHATSOEVER!



AND TO PROVE WHAT I
SAY IS NO OLD JOKE--
I HEREBY ANNOUNCE
BETWEEN NOW AND NOON
I WILL USE MY POWERS
TO CAUSE THREE
POTENTIAL DISASTERS!

AND ALTHOUGH I'M
SURE SUPERMAN WILL
DO HIS UTMOST TO
AVERT EACH DISASTER
AS IT OCCURS...



...I AM DOUBT
SURE HE WILL AVE
MODERATELY
EVERY TIME!



MARK MY WORDS
WELL, PEOPLE OF
METROPOLIS...



...THE ARMY OF JERRY'S
FINAL HOURS ARE
NUMBERED NOW...

...AND THE
REIGN OF
MAJOR
DISASTER
HAS JUST
BEGUN!



AND JUST IN CASE YOU HADN'T
TO BE ALERTNESS TO THIS
BROADCAST, SUPERMAN... I
KNOW YOU'LL DO EVERYTHING
IN YOUR POWER TO TRY
AND STOP ME!

AND THAT'S WHEN
THE FUN WILL REALLY START!

SOME 35 MINUTES LATER, IN A
CERTAIN FANTASY CLASS ROOM...

...AND ALSO IN THIS MORNING'S
NEWS IS THE SIMULTANEOUS
BREAKDOWN OF COMPUTERS
WHICH HAVE CRASHED
EVERY MAJOR
COMPUTER
SYSTEM
THROUGHOUT
THE AREA!

MORE ON
THIS STORY
AS THE
CRISIS
DEVELOPS!

GAHHAH

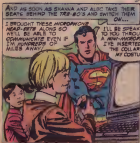


WELL! THE WORD
CRISIS CERTAINLY
APPLIES HERE, CLASS!
WHILE WE'RE WAITING
TO HEAR MORE ON THIS
CRISIS SITUATION, MAYBE
WE CAN APPLY WHAT
WE'VE LEARNED THE
PAST FEW DAYS!



LET'S DISCUSS THE
EFFECTS THE
COMPUTER BREAKDOWN
COULD HAVE ON OUR
EVERYONE LIVES... AND
REVIEW THE MANY WAYS
COMPUTERS HAVE BEEN
FAITHFULLY SERVING US!

HAHAH-- I NOW
COME MY DESK IS
JUN-BREAKING!





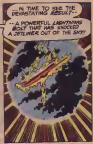
SINCE 9 A.M. I'VE BEEN PERSONALLY SCANNING THE METROPOLIS AREA WITH SWEEPING BEAMS OF TELESCOPIC VISION--

--SEARCHING FOR A TRACE OF THE ENERGETIC RESIDUE THAT INDICATES AN ATOMIC DISASTER HAS BEEN ON THE SCENE!



SO FAR, I HAVEN'T SPOTTED ANY--

CORRECTION-- WE'RE IN BUSINESS! I'VE JUST ZEROED-IN ON THE FIRST ENERGY-TRAIL...



--IN TIME TO SEE THE DEMONSTRATING ACT--

--A POWERFUL LIGHTNING BODY THAT HAS KNOCKED A JETLINER OUT OF THE SKY!



GOT TO PUMP UP THE SPEED! THE PLANE'S IN A DEATH-DIVE AND EVERY MICRO-SECOND COUNTS!

SKYLINE AND I AM PICKING UP YOUR VOICE LOUD AND CLEAR ON OUR HEADSETS, SUPERMAN!



OUR TWIN-BOYS ARE HUNTING AND READY--

STAND BY! I'LL BE MAKING TRUE WORDS COME TRUE! ONCE I CLEAR THE THUNDERCLOUDS AHEAD!



A MOMENT LATER, SUPERMAN SOCS INTO COMPUTERIZED ACTION...

COME IN, SUPERMAN! PLEASE TELL US WHAT'S HAPPENING!



CONTACT!

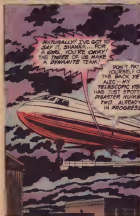
DISASTER ONE HAS BEEN ALERTED. THANKS TO YOU TWO AND YOUR RES-BOYS!

ROOBBY! HE DID IT! SUPERMAN WAS RIGHT ON BURETT AND SHANNED THE JETLINER IN TIME!



ROOBBY! I'VE GOT TO SAY IT, SHANNA... FOR A SMALL, YOU'RE CARRYING THE THREE OF US MAKE A DYNAMITE TEAM!

DON'T PUT YOURSELF ON THE BACK FET ALEC—MY TELESCOPIC VISION HAS JUST SPOTTED DISASTER NUMBER TWO ALREADY IN PROGRESS

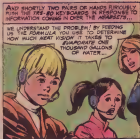


AND AFTER THE JET OF BURETT HAS SAFELY DEPOSITED THE STRICKEN JETLINER ON THE NEAREST RUNWAY...

ALL RIGHT, SUPERMAN... ALEC AND I HAVE PUSHED OUR "WEED" BUTTENS!

WHAT ARE WE UP AGAINST THIS TIME?





MERE INSTANTS LATER, AN OVERFLOWING TIDE OF SWIRLING WATERS BEGINS TO CHURN AND BOIL INTO MASSIVE BILLOWS OF RISING STEAM...



...SET OFF BY A FLEETING SHEEP OF INCALCULABLY INTENSE HEAT-BEAMS...

BEAMS WHICH HAVE BEEN FUSED PROPOSELY FOR SUPERMAN BY HIS DISTANT RELATIVES!

THE TEE-BOS HAVE SCORED AGAIN! BY FOLLOWING THE COMPLETIONS YOU TWO SENT BACK...

—I'M SUCCESSFULLY EVAPORATING ALL THE WATER WITHOUT HARMING THE NEIGHBORHOOD!

TO WHICH A BEAMING SHARANA AND ALMA RESPOND WITH MUTUAL CONGRATULATIONS.

BUT THEIR MOMENT OF TRIUMPH TURNS OUT TO BE ALLEGING AT BEST...

IN THE METROPOLIS SQUARE CONFRONTS MAJOR DISASTER'S THIRD AND FINAL WORK OF MONUMENTAL SCALE...

LOOKS LIKE MY JOB SAVED THE HONEY FOR LAST! IF I AM PUTTING A STOP TO THIS DISASTER—

—MILLIONS OF INNOCENT PEOPLE WILL BE CONTAMINATED!

CONTAMINATED? THAT SOUND'S LIKE SUPERMAN!

AND DOESN'T BEGIN TO COVER IT, SHARANA! MAJOR DISASTER'S FINAL ENERGY-BURST PUNCTURED A LEAK IN THE NUCLEAR REACTOR NORTH OF THE CITY—

—RELEASING A LETHAL CLOUD OF RADIOACTIVE GASES INTO THE AIR!



FORTUNATELY THE AIR IS CLEAR AT THE MOMENT! BUT AS SOON AS THE FIRST WIND COMES UP...

WE GOT THE PICTURE, SUPERMAN! TELL US THE STRATEGY YOU WANT TO USE -- AND HOW WE CAN HELP!



WITH NOT A SECOND TO SPARE, THE JAW OF STEEL DELAYS HIS ATTACK-PLAN TO SHANNA AND ALSO-- PERIODS! THEN THE INFORMATION HIS OWN SUPER-BRAIN IS STILL TOO "MISSED" TO COMPUTE!

ONCE AGAIN TWO PAIRS OF HANDS DEFTLY GLIDE OVER THE TWO-80 KEYBOARDS...



...AS SUPERMAN'S YOUNG ALLIES RUN WATCHING PROGRAMS, CHASING THEM TO QUICKLY SUPPLY THE DATA HE NEEDS!...

GOT IT-- AND JUST IN TIME, TOO! A SURPRISE BREEZE HAS STARTED BLOWING THE CLOUD TOWARD METROPOLIS!



THANKS TO SHANNA AND ALSO-- I KNOW EXACTLY HOW HARD TO FLY AT PRECISELY THE CORRECT SAVING CIRCUMFERENCE...

...IN ORDER TO CONTAIN THE CONTAMINATED CLOUD AND SEND IT SPIRALING STRAIGHT UP!



ALL THE WAY UP THROUGH THE TOPMOST LAYERS OF EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE... THERE THE CLOUD WILL RAPIDLY DISAPPEAR IN OUTER SPACE!

AND NOW I HAVE ONE FINAL DILEMMA TO ATTEND TO--

--NAMED THE MANACAL ANGELO HIMSELF!

EPILOGUE

AND AS THIS EXCLUSIVE NEWS TALK-SHOW... SUPERMAN MADE A SURPRISE APPEARANCE AT METROPOLIS POLICE HEADQUARTERS...

...BUT IT APPEARS NO ONE WAS MORE SURPRISED THAN THE PRISONER HE WAS BRINGING IN--



--HATCHER DISASTER!

SUPERMAN EXPLAINED AFTERWARD THAT IT WAS HATCHER DISASTER'S UNIQUE DESTRUCTIVE ENERGY FIELD WHICH DID THE PERPETRATION...

FOR ONCE HE HAD SUCCESSFULLY ABSORBED ALL PHASES OF YESTERDAY'S HATCHER DISASTER'S... SUPERMAN THEN MERELY TRACED THE REMAINING ENERGY RESIDUES BACK TO THEIR SOURCE--



--WHERE HE WASTED NO TIME IN DEMONSTRATING HOW THE CRIPPLING EFFECTS OF THE KRYPTONITE CRYSTALS IN HIS SYSTEM HAD FINALLY WORKED OFF!

BUT WHAT STILL PUZZLES ME AND ALL OUR VIEWERS, SUPERMAN... IS HOW YOU MANAGED TO HANDLE THOSE DISASTERS WHEN YOUR SUPER-BRAIN WAS "FUZZED OUT"!



HE LAUGHED, I COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT THE HELP OF THE VERY LATEST COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY, AND TWO VERY SPECIAL YOUNG FRIENDS!

BUT WHY DON'T WE LET THEM DO THE REST OF THE TALKING...



HELLO! MY NAME IS SARAH...

AND I'M ALICE...

--AND WE'RE GOING TO DEMONSTRATE HOW ANY OF YOU PEOPLE WATCHING AT HOME CAN THINK AS SUPER-FAST AS A SUPERMAN--

--WITH A TRU-BO MICROCOMPUTER!



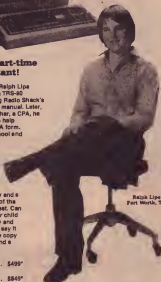
Last year this
boy got into
computing
with a
Radio Shack
TRS-80™



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